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August 25, 2014

Mr. Tom Wheeler, Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

I write to express my support and share the views of 100 Black Men of America ("the 100") on the proposed merger between Comcast and Time Warner Cable.

The mission of the 100 is to improve the quality of life within our communities and enhance educational and economic opportunities for all African Americans. Comcast has exemplified our values by investing to improve the communities they serve.

The Internet Essentials program is just one example of Comcast's dedication to the community. Over the past three years Comcast has worked to inform the public of their program that provides affordable Internet to low-income homes. As an organization that seeks to improve the education of African American youths and communities, we stand behind Comcast and commend them for their hard work connecting 1.2 million Americans and counting. In this digital age it is imperative for students to have computers and Internet access and we applaud Comeast for their efforts to eradicate the digital divide.

The 100 is most excited about the prospects for new investments in infrastructure that may result from this merger. Comcast has consistently stood out among their competition as a leader in innovation and technology, constantly improving their service quality and increasing their Internet speeds. These investments are valuable not only to consumers but to small and mid-sized businesses and entrepreneurs looking for ways to enhance their services, reach new customers or simply cut costs. Future Comcast markets should be excited to take advantage of these investments.

Our organization is impressed with the efforts Comcast has made in increasing diversity and inclusion practices within the company. Since the merger with NBCUniversal they have introduced new leadership training programs and modified their recruiting practices, all in an effort to entice a more diverse range of employee talent. Externally they work with a diverse range of vendors and have partnered with minority chambers of commerce in different communities to identify potential minority-owned vendors.

Comcast is a passionate member of the communities they serve. They go above and beyond the duties of a service provider seeking to do more than collect money; they truly fight to make their communities better. It is my hope that this is clear to the FCC and they make the right choice and approve this merger.

Mentoring the 100 Way Across A Lifetime

# How to File a Letter at the FCC on the Comcast/Time Warner/Charter Cable Transactions

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has requested public comment on the proposed Comcast/Time Warner Cable/Charter transactions. You can make your voice heard by filing a letter with the FCC, which will then be placed in a public file and made available for review.

#### All letters should be received by the FCC by August 25.

The FCC has specific procedures for filing in this proceeding. If you do not follow the procedures, your letter may not be formally considered.

- Your letter must include the subject line "RE: MB Docket No. 14-57."
- Your letter must be signed (but it can be electronically signed).
- If filing electronically, submit the letter as a .PDF. You can scan a copy of the letter into .PDF format or convert the document into a .PDF electronically. The FCC prefers electronic filings and the process to do so is explained below.
- If filing by U.S. Mail, you must send the letter to the FCC Secretary, as explained below.

### Address the letter in any of the following ways:

	Chairman Tom Wheeler	
	Commissioner Mignon Clyburn	
Tom Wheeler	Commissioner Jessica	Marlene H. Dortch
Chairman	Rosenworcel	Secretary
Federal Communications	Commissioner Ajit Pai	Federal Communications
Commission	Commissioner Michael O'Rielly	Commission
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RE: MB Docket No. 14-57	Washington, DC 20554	RE: MB Docket No. 14-
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	Commissioners:	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The FCC released a Public Notice on July 10, 2014 – titled "Commission Seeks Comment on Applications of Comcast Corporation, Time Warner Cable Inc., Charter Communications, Inc., and SpinCo to Assign and Transfer Control of FCC Licenses and Other Authorizations" – to officially begin the agency's merger-review process.

#### To submit your letter electronically, follow these steps.

- (1) Make sure your letter is in .PDF format by either converting it to .PDF or by printing a copy and scanning it.
- (2) Go to <a href="http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/upload/display?z=5gmag">http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/upload/display?z=5gmag</a>
- (3) Enter the following information in response to the following questions:
  - Proceeding Number? Fill in 14-57
  - Name of Filer? Fill in name of locality/organization/company
    - No need to include other Contact Info (email address, law firm)
  - Type of Filing? Select "Letter"
    - You do not need to enter a File Number, Report Number, or Bureau Identification Number
    - Do not check "Ex parte Presentation"
  - Address? Fill in Address Line(s), City, State, Zip Code
  - In the "Document(s)" field, click on "Browse" and select the letter you have prepared from your computer's files (be sure to upload a .PDF)
- (4) Click on "Continue"
- (5) You will then be asked to review the information you entered and verify that the file you will be uploading is the correct file. If the information looks correct, click on "Confirm" and your letter will be electronically filed. You will then be taken to a confirmation page. If you do not receive a confirmation, there may have been a problem with the FCC's website or your connection. You must resubmit the letter.

If you do not want to file electronically, you can send your letter by U.S. Mail.

If sending by U.S. Mail, you must include an original and one (1) copy of your letter. To be formally considered in the proceeding, your letter must be mailed to the Secretary of the FCC at the following address:

Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

As with electronic filing, to be sure that the Chairman and the Commissioners see your letter, you can send additional hard copies to them by U.S. Mail.

The FCC also asks filers who submit by U.S. Mail to provide an additional copy to each of the following parties, by either email or facsimile (if sent by email, the subject line should include MB Docket No. 14-57, the name of your locality/organization/company, and "Letter"):

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